

By: Johnson of Harris

H.B. No. 1870

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to shipping logistics and coordination services for state agencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2172.007, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2172.007. SHIPPING LOGISTICS AND COORDINATION SERVICES. (a) The comptroller ~~may~~ shall contract with a vendor to oversee shipping logistics and coordination services for all state agencies and shall pay the contract from the anticipated cost savings realized under the contract. The vendor shall arrange the shipment of goods, parcels, and freight using the shipping company selected by the state agency through competitive bidding that provides the best value to the agency for the shipment.

(b) A state agency ~~may~~ shall arrange all shipments of goods, parcels, and freight under this section.

(d) In contracting for the oversight of shipping logistics and coordination services under this section, the comptroller ~~may~~ shall provide contracting opportunities for vendors that employ veterans or other persons with disabilities whose products and services are available under Chapter 122, Human Resources Code.

(e) This section does not apply to the shipment of:

(1) items of extraordinary value;

(2) museum exhibits and antiquities;

- 1           (3) antique furniture;
- 2           (4) fine arts;
- 3           (5) specialized materials or products;
- 4           (6) coins and paper bills; or
- 5           (7) items by the Texas Department of Transportation if
- 6 the department determines that, because of the nature of the items
- 7 or the circumstances related to the shipment, shipment of the items
- 8 under a procedure established by the department is necessary.

9           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
13 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.